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On 20 May the North Korean 80 ("Katyusha") guerrilla unit, comprising 600 men. was at Songya-ri (126-09, 37-50). The unit commander is Major PAK Chun-song. The unit is equipped with 2 x 82-mm. mortars, 2 machine guns, 300 rifles, and 2 tone of dynamite. Members of the unit were conscripted in late April from Labor Party members in the area and were attached to the North Korean 4 Division for reconnaissance and to infiltrate through the mountains to the south. About half the men were in dark green uniforms; the rest wore civilian clothes.

- On 20 May the North Korean 50 ("Liberation") guerrilla unit, comprising 600 men equipped with 200 Soviet rifles and 3 mortars, was at Nungnae-dong (126-08, 38-03). The unit commander is Major WANG, and it is attached to the North Korean 3 Division.
- On 20 May the North Korean 60 ("Maen No," Fierce Tiger) guerrilla unit was at (126-03, 38-01). The unit is commanded by Major CHO Pyong-ha and is attached to the North Korean 4 Division. The strength of the unit is approximately 650 men equipped with 150 Soviet rifles and 3 x 82-mm. mortars.
- The North Korean and Chinese Communist Readquarters in mid-May referred to sections of Korea as follows: The First War Operations Area, from the Yalu River to Pyongyang; the Second, Pyongyang to Sariwon; the Third, Sariwon to the 38th Parallel; the Fourth, the 38th Parallel to the Imjin River; the Fifth, the Imjin River to the Man River.

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